1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 4 AT TACOMA 5 SHANNON WESTBROOK, 6 Plaintiff, No. C10-5392 BHS/KLS 7 v. ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR RULE 8 DR. STEVE HAMMOND, PAC ED LOPEZ. 26(f) CONFERENCE KATHY RENINGER, and JOHN AND 9 JANE DOE, 10 Defendants. 11 Before the court is Plaintiff's motion for a Rule 26(f) conference to ensure the parties 12 present a joint status report. Because Plaintiff is a *pro se* prisoner, this proceeding is exempt 13 14 from the initial disclosure requirement of Rule 26(a)(1)(B) and the discovery conference 15 requirement of Rule 26(f). In addition, the parties' joint status report is not due until December 16 2, 2011. ECF No. 18. Thus, the parties will have ample opportunity to coordinate their efforts 17 prior to that deadline. 18 Accordingly, Plaintiff's motion for a Rule 26(f) conference (ECF No. 20) is **DENIED**. 19 The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to Plaintiff and to counsel for Defendants. 20 21 **DATED** this <u>16th</u> day of March, 2011. 22 23 24 United States Magistrate Judge 25 26

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